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SUBJECTT: FRENCH PROPOSAL RE NORTH CORRIDOR

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1. ON APRIL 18 BERLIN AIR COORDINATING COMMITTEE APPROVED AEG TELEFUNKEN AS CONTRACTOR FOR MODERNIZATION OF AIR TRAFFIC COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES OF AIR TRAFFIC AGENCIES IN BERLIN,.E. BASC, BARTCC, TEGEL AIS, TEMPELHOF AIS, AND GATOW OPERATIONS. SINCE THEN CONTRACTOR HAS VISITED EACH AGENCY IN ORDER TO DEVELOP SCHEME FOR CENTRAL DATA BANK, INFORMATION TERMINALS AT EACH LOCATION AND COMMUNICATIONS LINES AMONG VARIOUS AGENCIES. UNDER PROPOSED SCHEME, FLIGHT PLANS WOULD BE TRANSMITTED FROM THREE WEST BERLIN AIRFIELDS TO CENTRAL DATA BANK, FROM WHICH BARTCC AND BASC WOULD DRAW INFO FOR THEIR OPERATIONS. INFORMATION TERMINALS (SCREEN AND KEYBOARD) WOULD BE INSTALLED AT EACH OF THREE WESTERN ALLIED DUTY CONTROLLER POSITIONS IN BASC. TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENTS IN BASC, PROPOSED BY AEG TELEFUNKEN, WOULD GIVE
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EACH CONTROLLER ACCESS TO ALL FLIGHT INFORMATION IN DATA BANK.

2. OBVIOUSLY THIS ARRANGEMENT, IF ESTABLISHED, WOULD DEPRIVE FRENCH OF THEIR LEVERAGE TO PRESS FOR ASSUMPTION OF BASC CONTROLLER RESPONSIBILITY FOR NORTH CORRIDOR. NEW FACILITIES WOULD SUBSTITUTE FOR ADDITIONAL DIRECT TEGEL-BASC TELEPHONE LINES, INSTALLATION OF WHICH FRENCH HAVE BEEN HOLDING UP IN ORDER TO BRING BRITISH AROUND ON NORTH CORRIDOR ISSUE.

3. FACED WITH SITUATION WHERE THEIR POSITION MAY BE OVERTAKEN BY NEW TECHNOLOGY, FRENCH CONCEIVABLY MAY TRY TO BLOCK MODERNIZATION PROGRAM AS PROPOSED. FOR THEIR PART, BRITISH MAY NO LONGER FEEL INCLINED ON THIS GROUND VOLUNTARILY TO RELINQUISH CONTROL OF NORTH CORRIDOR, SINCE TELEFUNKEN PLAN WOULD PROVIDE IDENTICAL INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR SAFE, EFFICIENT OPERATIONS TO ALL THREE WESTERN ELEMENTS. CONTRACTOR HAS INDICATED DATE OF AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER FOR DESIGN AND PROGRAMMING OF COMPUTER SOFTWARE. ANY SUBSEQUENT REVISION WOULD INCREASE COST AND DELAY PROJECT, WHICH IN TURN, COMPOUNDS PROBLEM OF CURRENT USAF MODERNIZATION OF BARTCC.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION DEPARTMENT OF BONN MAY BE ABLE TO SHED ON STATUS THIS SUBJECT SINCE DECISIVE STAGE RAPIDLY APPROACHING.

FOR OUR PART, WE WOULD HOPE BRITISH COULD STILL BE PERSUADED TO GIVE FRENCH NORTH CORRIDOR ROLE IN RECOGNITION NEW TEGEL RESPONSIBILITIES AND FOR SAKE OF GOOD TRIPARTITE WORKING RELATIONS. GEORGE

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